

Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., District 7 Chairman, Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee

For Immediate Release June 29, 2015

Contact: Bill Zaferos, Public Information Manager

414/278-4230 or William.zaferos@milwaukeecountywi.gov

CHAIRMAN OF TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSIT COMMITTEE URGES MCTS AND TRANSIT WORKERS TO GO BACK TO THE BARGAINING TABLE

Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr. Says Bus Strike Would Be "Catastrophic" For People Who Rely on Public Transportation

Milwaukee County Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., Chairman of the Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee, today urged Milwaukee County Transit System and the Amalgamated Transit union to go back to the bargaining table immediately to avoid a "catastrophic" strike.

"This would have a tremendously detrimental effect on people who rely on public transportation to get to their jobs, the grocery store, the doctor's office or other important destinations," Mayo said. "This isn't just about a contract dispute, this is about people's lives.

"The two parties need to return to the bargaining table to avoid what can only be termed as a strike that would be catastrophic to public transit riders. People could lose their jobs because they can't get to work. People may suffer because they can't get to the doctor, and people may have to go hungry because they can't get to the store. It is critical that an agreement be reached before the transit workers strike."

###